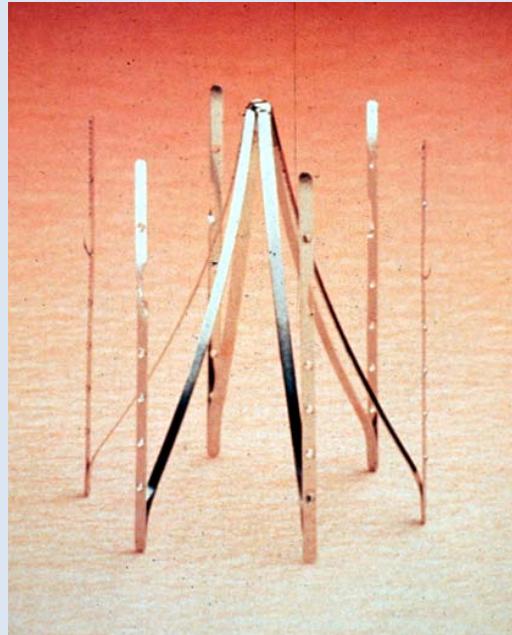


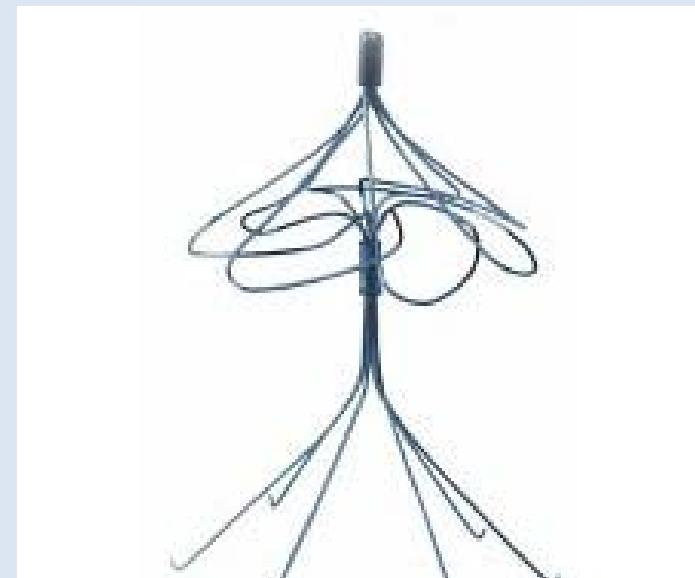
# **Exhibit A**

# Examples of "Substantially Equivalent" Products

**Predicate Device**



**New Device**



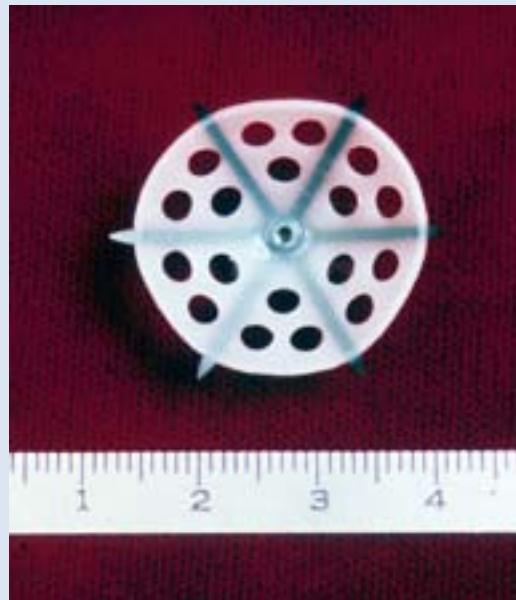
**Vena Tech LGM (B.  
Braun Medical)**

Source: Simon Nitinol Filter 510(k) submission (K894703),  
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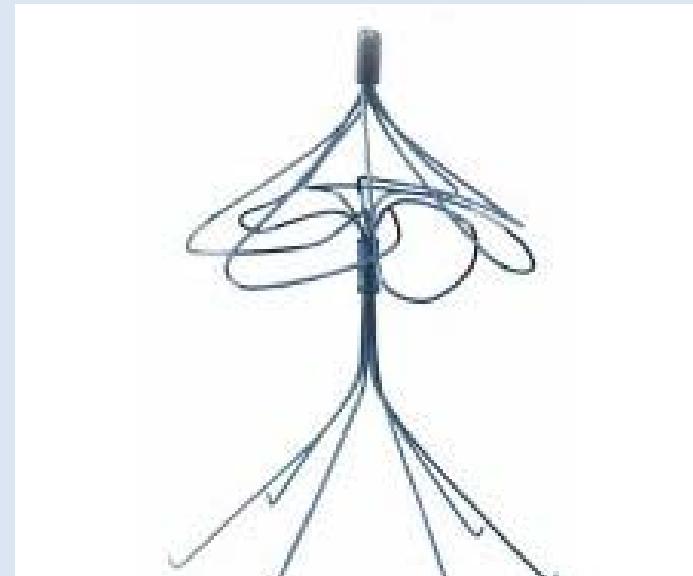
**Simon Nitinol Filter  
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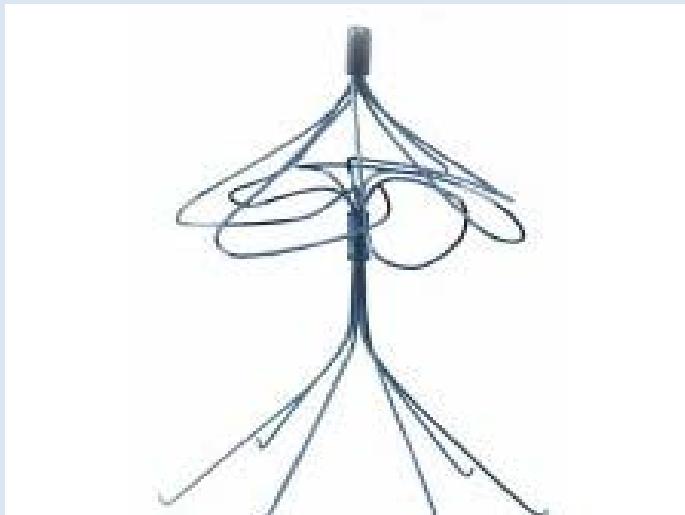
**Mobin-Uddin  
Umbrella (Edwards)**

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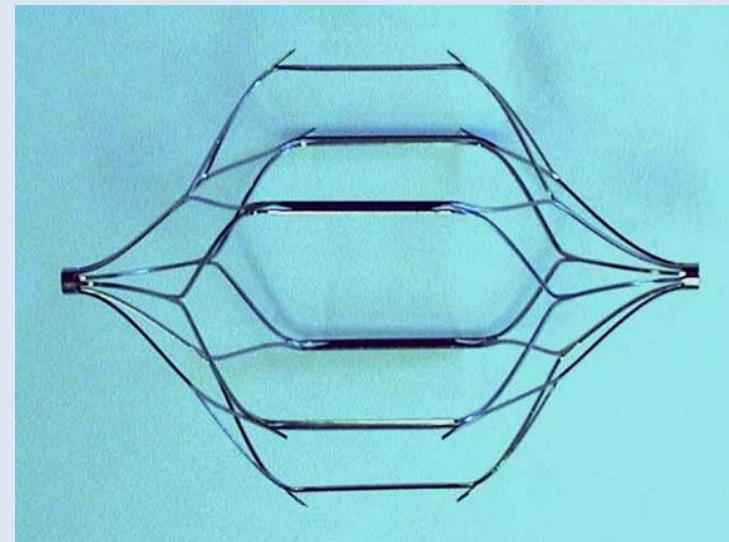
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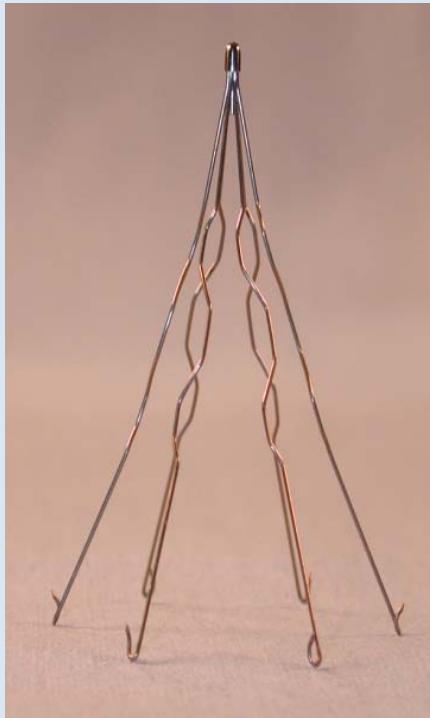
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Source: Cordis Corp. TrapEase Filter 510(k) Summary, dated July 7, 2000.

**TrapEase Filter  
(Cordis Corp.)**

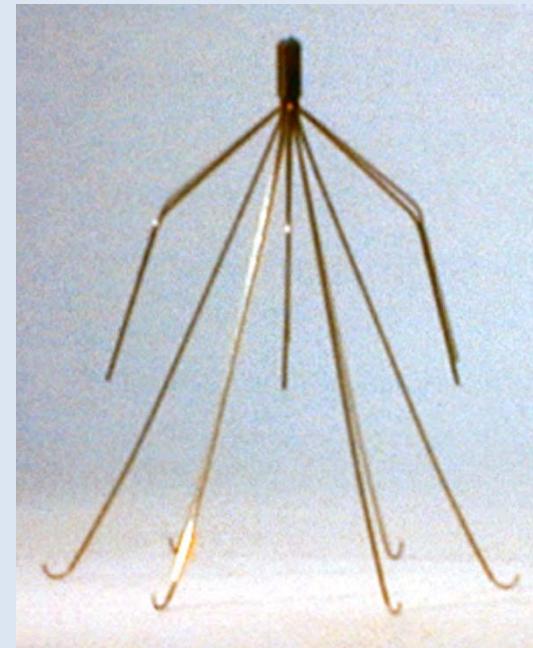
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**Predicate Device**



**Greenfield Filter  
(BSC)**

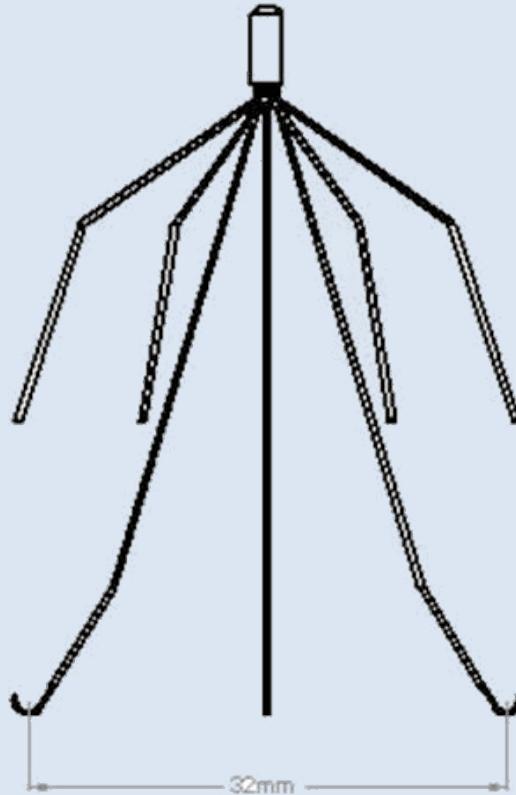
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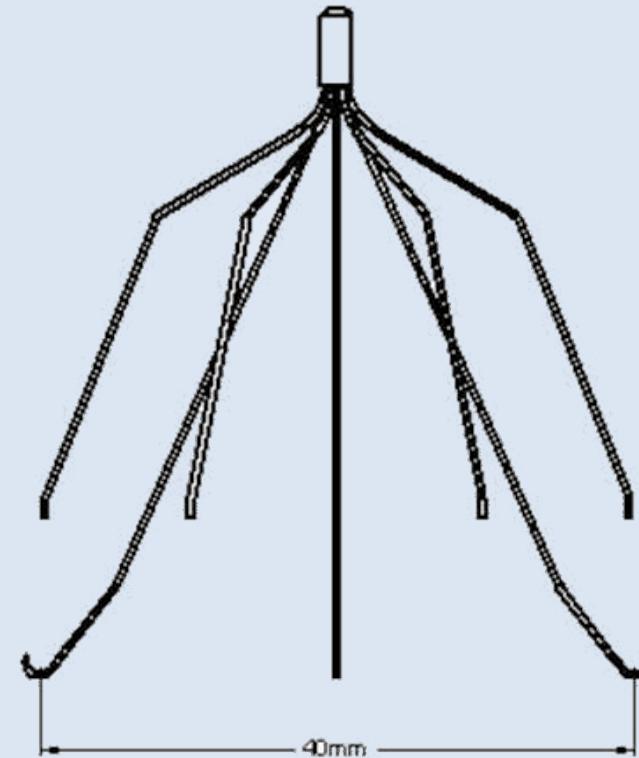
**Recovery® Filter (C.  
R. Bard, Inc.)**

Source: Recovery® Filter 510(k) Summary (K022236).

# Recovery® v. G2®



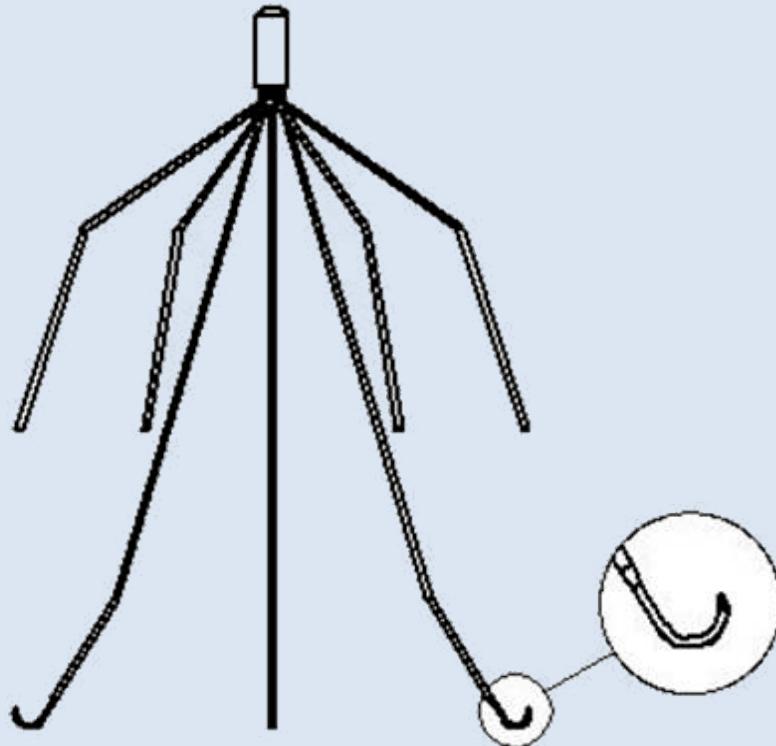
**Recovery®**



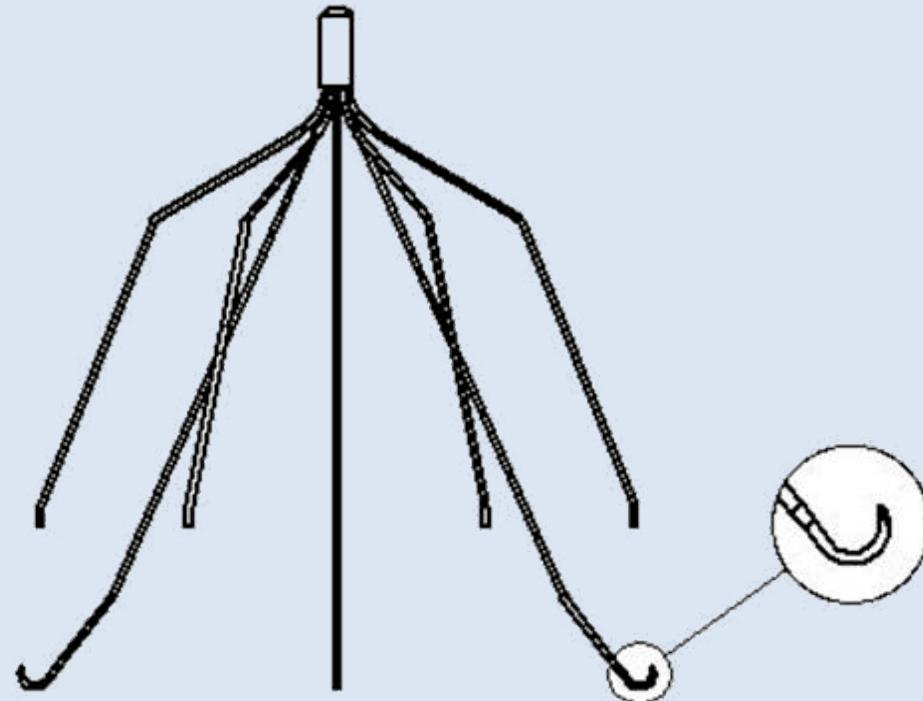
**G2®**

- Leg span increased from 32mm to 40mm (increase of 25%)

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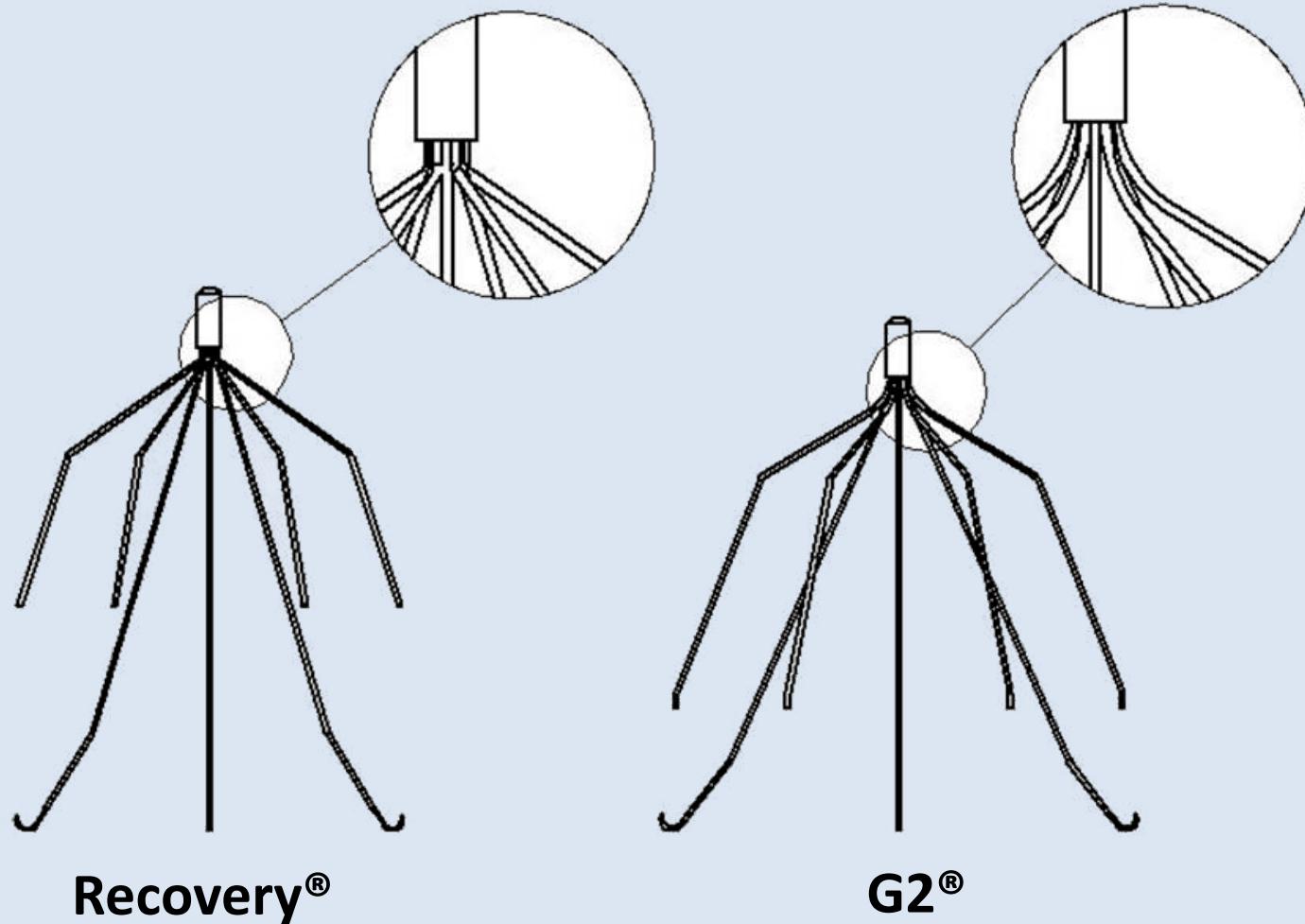
**Recovery®**



**G2®**

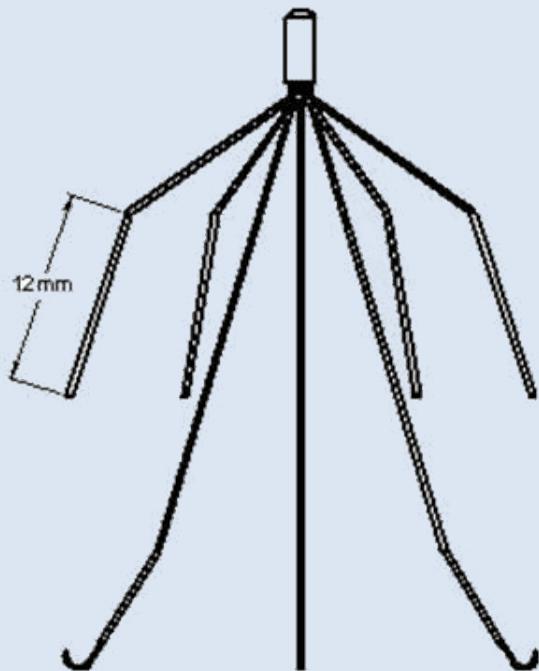
- Hooks thickened by 24% (from 0.0085" to 0.0105")

# Recovery® v. G2®

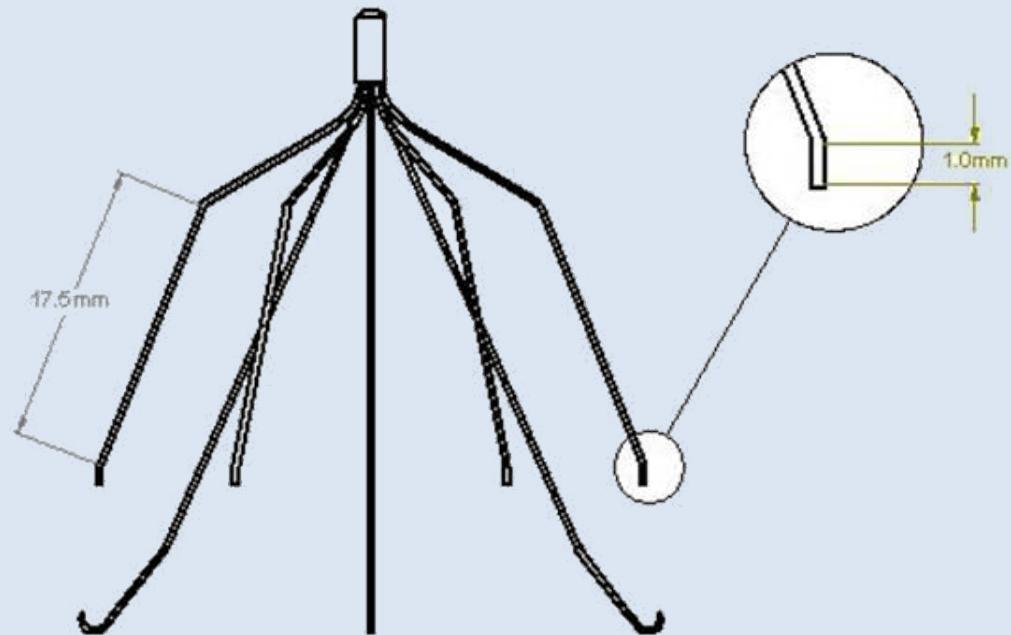


- Increase in curvature of arm wires coming out of apex

# Recovery® v. G2®



**Recovery®**



**G2®**

- Longer arms (by 50%)
- Curved arm ends